

Indian River School Board

Finance Training Forum

March 5, 2019

Agenda

- Welcome Superintendent Mark Rendell with Bill Vogel and Rick Collins, FADSS Consultants
- Indian River Successes
- Introductions, Board Priorities and Preliminary Questions
- The Florida Finance Program (FEFP)
- Lunch
- The District's Financial Management System
- Question and Answer Session

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Florida Education Finance Program

Agenda

- FEFP Purpose
- FTE
- Weighted FTE
- FEFP Formula
- Equalization
- Categoricals
- FEFP Calculation Schedules
- Millage Categories
- FEFP Summary

Florida Education Finance Program Purpose

- Florida Legislature enacted in 1973
- Established state policy on equalized funding
- FEFP recognizes
 - Varying local property tax bases
 - Varying education program costs
 - Varying costs of living
 - Varying costs for equivalent educational programs due to sparsity and dispersion of the student population

Full Time Equivalent Membership

- ▶ Grades 4–12 900 hours of instruction
- Grades K-3 or ESE Pre-k 720 hours
- Two major surveys (counts) per year
- October and February plus July and June
- Must be in membership and attendance during survey week, prior week, or Friday of the preceding week
- Student can only be counted for a maximum of 1 FTE for 180 day school year, even if additional instruction (recalibration)

Weighted FTE

FTE

X Program Cost Factor

Weighted FTE

Program Cost Factors

Program Number	Program Name	Program Cost Factor
101	Basic K-3	1.108
102	Basic 4-8	1.000
103	Basic 9-12	1.000
130	ESOL/Intensive English K-12	1.185
254	ESE Support Level IV	3.619
255	ESE Support Level V	5.642
300	Career Ed 9-12	1.000

Florida Education Finance Program

Weighted FTE

X Base Student Allocation X District Cost Differential + In Base Categoricals = Gross State and Local FEFP

Required Local Effort
 = Net State FEFP

+Categoricals not in Base = Total State Funding Florida Education Finance Program – Equalization

Property **Poor** District

Gross FEFP

Required Local Effort

State Funding





Florida Education Finance Program – Equalization

Property Rich District

Gross FEFP\$\$\$\$\$\$Required Local Effort-\$\$\$\$\$\$\$



FEFP – Categoricals within Base Funding

- Declining Enrollment funds 25% of decline
- Sparsity < 24,000 FTE
- Compression Adjustment discretionary millage
- DJJ Supplemental Allocation
- Safe Schools primarily for SROs
- ESE Guaranteed Allocation first 3 ESE levels
- Supplemental Academic Instruction
- Instructional Materials
- Transportation

FEFP – Categoricals within Base Funding

- Teachers Lead/Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program
- Reading Instruction
- Virtual Education VIP Program
- Digital Classrooms Allocation technology
- Federally Connected Supplement fed. owned land
- Mental Health Assistance Allocation
- Total Funds Compression Allocation (25% of difference limited to \$100)

FEFP - State Categoricals Not in Base

- Class Size Reduction
- School Recognition up to \$100 per student
- Discretionary Lottery Funds SAC control

Additional Weighted FTE

- Small District ESE Supplement < 10,000 students and < 3 FTE in ESE Levels 4 and 5</p>
- Small, Isolated High Schools Supplement high schools > 28 students <= 100 students in grades 9–12
- AP classes score 3 or higher on College
 Board test add 0.16 WFTE
- IB classes score 4 or higher on subject exam

Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) exam – score E – 0.16 WFTE

Additional Weighted FTE

- IB Diploma 0.3 WFTE
- AICE Diploma 0.3 WFTE
- Career and Professional Education Act (CAPE)
 - Can earn 0.25 to 1.0 WFTE based on specific criteria
- Early High School Graduation
 - 24 credits and 1 semester early 0.25 WFTE
 - 24 credits and 1 year early 0.50 WFTE

FEFP Calculation Schedule

- First Calculation during Legislative Session
- Second Calculation upon receipt of certified tax roll in July – used for original budget
- Third Calculation Based on actual July and October FTE surveys, estimate for February and June of prior year
- Fourth Calculation Based on actual July, October and February and June estimate
- Fifth and Final Calculation Same as Fourth Calculation except actual for June

Millage Categories

Operating

- Requires Local Effort (RLE)
- Discretionary
- Capital
 - Local Capital Improvement
- Debt Service
 - For outstanding General Obligation Bonds

FEFP Summary

- Basic purpose is to create equalization
- Based on FTE membership in various programs
- Total funding amount is calculated and then local revenue is subtracted to determine state portion
- Many categoricals have been added for specific purposes with specific restrictions
- Required Local Effort (RLE) is the local portion of the FEFP calculation and must be levied to receive any state funding for operations

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